

## House Resolution No. 38

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods through the excellence of their leadership activities in their chosen fields of endeavor; and

**Whereas**, Karen Crites Hendrickson of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as the Vice President and Chief Nursing Officer at Southeast Missouri Hospital; and

**Whereas**, on September 8, 2007, Karen Hendrickson enhanced her already impressive record of achievement when she was presented with the Advocate of the Year Award by the Heartland Advanced Practice Nurses Network at its ninth annual Primary Care Conference for Advanced Practice Nurses, which took place on the campus of Southeast Missouri State University; and

**Whereas**, Karen Hendrickson prepared for her diverse endeavors in life by earning a Nursing Diploma from Barnes Hospital School of Nursing in Saint Louis, a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree and a Master of Arts in psychological counseling from Southeast Missouri State University, a Doctor of Education degree from the University of Memphis, the designation of Registered Nurse, and certification in Nursing Administration, Advanced, by the American Nurses Credentialing Center; and

**Whereas**, Karen Hendrickson has served as president of the Missouri State Board of Nursing, president of the Missouri Organization of Nurse Executives, president of Sigma Theta Tau Chapter of the International Nursing Honor Society, president of the Eighth District Missouri Nurses Association, and a member of the Advisory Committee on Hospital Licensing Regulations for the Missouri Department of Health; and

**Whereas**, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse legislative activities in order to acknowledge milestone events in the lives and careers of such outstanding Missouri citizens as Karen Hendrickson:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Karen Hendrickson as the Advocate of the Year by the Heartland Advanced Practice Nurses Network and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued personal and professional achievement in life for many more years to come; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Karen Crites Hendrickson of Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Scott A. Lipke  
District No. 157

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 38, adopted January 10, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker